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Dysart gets mixed marks on exchange

CHAD INGRAM

Staff Reporter

The following are brief reports of items discussed during an Aug. 21 meeting of Dysart et al council.

Dysart et al township received mixed feedback from a team from Georgian Bay township, who visited the community through First Impression Communities Exchange, a program facilitated through the Ministry of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs.

Lynn Racicot, communications and economic development officer for Georgian Bay, told councillors there was some confusion on the part of participants differentiating Haliburton Village, Haliburton County and Dysart et al township from one another.

In general, the team found a lack of signage in the community, including directional signage, boundary signage and signage denoting the location of educational institutions, long-term care homes, etc.

"However, the welcome signage for Haliburton Village

was considered inviting," Racicot said.

In general, the village itself scored well, with nine out of 10 participants viewing it favourably.

Head Lake Park, free Wi-Fi, floral decorations, general cleanliness and more types of businesses than expected help lead to this favourable verdict.

There was unfavourable feedback regarding public washrooms – particularly those in Head Lake Park – as well as a lack of night life and indoor entertainment.

Three eateries visited by the team received average marks for food and service and it was recommended that businesses in the township undergo customer service workshops.

Participants also found the township to have an uninviting and outdated online presence, and a lack of branding identity.

More crosswalks and bicycles lanes were other recommendations. Racicot noted that while the area is promoted as a cycling destination, it seems to lack cycling infrastructure,

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Forest Fest returns

O'Pears band member Lydia Persaud sings on Sunday, Aug. 20 at the Historic Logging Museum. The Toronto-based band was part of this year's series of concerts. The Forest Festival, as organized by Haliburton Forest. Last year, the festival was cancelled. Read more on page 9. /DARREN LUM Staff



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Internet connectivity, seasonal employment challenging

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creating a disconnect between presented and real recreational activities.

Internet connectivity throughout the township, seasonal employment and youth attraction and retention were identified as other challenges.

"I think a lot of those things we know," said Reeve Murray Fearrey. "When we put up signage, we get feedback that there's sign pollution."

Fearrey pointed out that the upper-tier of Haliburton County is technically responsible for branding and chief administrative officer Tamara Wilbee suggested that perhaps the township should be using the county's Haliburton Highlands branding, as opposed to the Dysart name, more frequently when promoting events.

A team from Dysart et al will also be visiting Georgian Bay township and providing feedback to officials there.

Neighbourhood going to the cats

Residents in the Eagle Lake area are asking the township do something about a house containing many cats they say is creating an unsanitary situation in their neighbourhood.

Delegate Sandra Grove, representing a number of neighbours, told council she estimates there are more than 20 cats living in the house and that when the windows of the home are open, the odour is so bad that residents are unable to enjoy their properties.

"We have been forced out of our yards," Grove said, adding the home owner also disposes of cat litter in his backyard.

While Councillor Walt McKechnie has paid visits to the homeowner informing him he needs to deal with the cat situation, "he doesn't seem to listen to that," said Reeve Murray Fearrey.

"The humane society won't do anything, the health unit won't do anything," Fearrey added.

The township will send the resident a registered letter informing him he has two weeks to make changes to

make the property more sanitary.

After that, council plans to pass a bylaw to deal with the situation, under which the resident would be fined on a daily basis for being in contravention of the bylaw.

"You shouldn't have to put up with it," Fearrey told assembled residents. Grove said the homeowner has had as many as 37 cats on his property in the past.

Adventure racing

Storm the Trent, an adventure race that has taken place



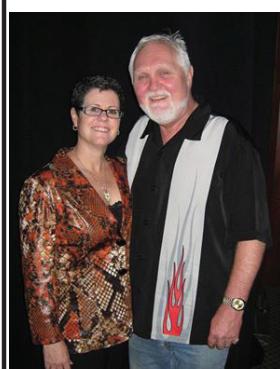
A study by the Eagle Moose Lake Property Owners' Association has found one case of phragmites on Eagle Lake and two cases on Moose Lake. The invasive plant crowds out native plants, vegetation and species while providing little to no food or shelter for wildlife. There are 19 reported cases of phragmites in Haliburton County. /ROBERT MACKENZIE Staff

Teenager dies following accident

A teenager from Port Colborne has died after a boating incident on Clement Lake in Highlands East on Aug. 16.

The 13-year-old male was flown to a hospital in Toronto with life-threatening injuries shortly before 4 p.m.

Haliburton OPP is currently investigating the boating incident. Anyone with information is asked to contact the Haliburton Highlands Detachment of the OPP at 1-888-310-1122.



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Invasive plant found on local lakes

ROBERT MACKENZIE

Staff Reporter

Phragmites, an invasive plant species, has spread to three locations on Eagle and Moose Lakes, according to a local study.

Invasive phragmites is a tall wetland grass that crowds out native plants, vegetation and species while providing little to no food or shelter for wildlife. Non-native forms of the plant can grow in dense bunches of up to 200 stems per square metre.

Recently, with help from the Coalition of Haliburton Property Owners' Associations and Canadian Wildlife Service, the Eagle Moose Lake Property Owners Association conducted a shoreline study that found one case of phragmites on Eagle Lake and two on neighbouring Moose Lake. In total, there have been 19 reported cases of phragmites in Haliburton County according to EDD-MapS, a web-based mapping system documenting invasive species distribution from the University of Georgia's Center for Invasive Species and Ecosystem Health.

Kate Powell, a spokesperson for the Ontario Federation of Anglers and Hunters' Invading Species Awareness Program, says phragmites is dangerous to ecosystems and lake health because it decreases biodiversity.

According to Powell, "Learning how to identify phragmites is the No. 1 most important thing ... because you can report it and early detection and rapid response can take place."

Working at Heights Training Deadline is Coming – Are You Ready?

To assist employers to train their employees locally, The Haliburton County Home Builders Association has scheduled a number of training dates. September 12, 13 & 28, 2017.

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in the Kawarthas for the past 16 years, will come to Haliburton in 2018.

The race, which involves paddling, cycling and running and in 2017 attracted 600 participants, will be centred in Glebe Park.

Participants will park in the public lot near Head Lake Park and in the parking lot at the arena.

"It's the kind of thing we want to see happen here," said Reeve Murray Fearrey. "We have the natural attributes."

Organizers plan to host the race in Haliburton for at least three years.

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Working at heights training protects against worst case scenario

JENN WATT

Editor

When an accident happens on a construction site, Bruce Bolduc is one of the people companies will call to do an investigation of what happened.

Bolduc is the president of Construction Workplace Safety Training Ltd., which offers training programs as well as consultation and investigation.

"In the last 16-plus years I've been doing this, I've had to investigate eight fatalities and 19 major critical injuries and out of the fatalities I knew three of the guys and they were all younger than me," he said.

Three of the fatalities were heart attacks, but the other five were preventable, he said.

Construction Workplace Safety Training Ltd. is one of the companies approved by the province to provide training under its new working at heights regulations, which mandate a

two-module daylong program for all of those in the sector by Oct. 1.

"It's important that everyone's trained and does the job properly. We have the equipment, we have the technology, we have the knowledge. It's a matter of utilizing it," Bolduc said.

The local homebuilders' association has been running sessions in hopes of getting everyone trained who needs to be. The next sessions are scheduled for Sept. 12 and 13.

Everyone who works at heights needs to have completed the training, said a spokesperson from the Ministry of Labour.

"Homeowners should be aware that the employer is responsible to ensure that workers are adequately trained to do the job. A homeowner under certain circumstances can become a 'constructor,' as defined under the Occupational Health and Safety Act, and as such has certain obligations under OHSA to ensure the health and safety of workers hired," wrote Janet Deline in an email to the *Echo*.

"If a homeowner decides to contract one or more contractors by himself/herself, they may become the constructor/employer and thus assume the responsibilities to ensure that the workers are adequately trained to do the job."

Haliburton Home Builders' Association president Nathan Petrini echoed the ministry's sentiment and said homeowners need to do their due diligence when hiring people to do work around their homes.

"You want to make sure the contractors have liability insurance, are covered by WSIB," he said.

"You want to make sure they're following the rules," he said.

Ask the company you've hired if they have liability insurance and are covered by WSIB.

"Anybody that's a qualified construction worker should be able to at any time pull up a clearance certificate for WSIB," he said.

The province already had training rules around safety on job sites, but Deline said the new regulations came from recommendations from a 2010 panel report on occupational health and safety.

Among the recommendations, "improved and standardized fall protection training is a priority, as falls from heights continue to be the No. 1 source of fatalities in construction."

The program includes two modules under the instruction of a chief prevention officer certified trainer at no less than 6.5 hours.

The first module is basic theory and the second is practical.

"The theory ... is the regulation and the why: what is it we want to do and why are we doing it," said Bolduc. "Then there's a practical component where you have to actually not only inspect all the fall protection equipment [you bring] ... you also have to inspect the equipment we supply."

The equipment the trainers supply ranges from good to poor condition.

"Then we do a scenario where they actually show us how they inspect their equipment, properly don the harness and lanyard and rope grab and show us how they would use it and show us how they would disassemble," he said.

Three years after completing the training, workers must complete a refresher course, which means retaking the second module.

"The intent behind working at heights refresher training is to reinforce key learning outcomes and also to keep learners up to date on any legislative, regulatory or equipment (technological) changes which may impact working at heights in construction," Deline said.

So far, about 400,000 workers have taken the training in Ontario.

Working at heights without the proper safety precautions carries stiff fines for the worker, employer and company, however, Bolduc said when an accident happens, it isn't the money that's top of mind for anyone.

"Having to follow up with employers and supervisors who've had that accident happen, who've had that situation come about, the fine is not what they're thinking about anymore," he said.

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Independent gas bar goes Mobil

SUE TIFFIN

Staff Reporter

Drivers will see some changes at the former Independent gas station in the next few months.

The Gas Bar, outside of Todd's Independent on County Road 21, was one of 213 Loblaw-owned stations sold across Canada in a \$540 million deal to Brookfield Business Partners and its partners that was finalized on July 17. The retail gas bars are located alongside Real Canadian Superstores, No Frills and Independent grocers.

Staff at the Haliburton pumps will stay the same under local owner Christine MacAusland, but the station will be renamed to Mobil @ Loblaws, with rebranding of signs, pumps and the attached convenience store taking place later in the year.

Joe Calderone, president and CEO of BG Fuels, a division of Brookfield Asset Management, said the new ownership is going well, with four sites in Canada - stations in Grimsby and Milton in Ontario, in Winnipeg, Manitoba and in Airdrie, Alberta - currently becoming the first Mobil gas stations in the country.

"It was very important to us that we make sure the customers wouldn't be disturbed by the transition so we spent a lot of time and effort making sure that we don't have any big hiccups as we go from Loblaw to BG Fuels," he said.

Rebranding will occur at other sites beginning in October.

Gasoline will be switched from Loblaw unbranded gasoline to Imperial Oil's Synergy gasoline. Imperial Oil Limited is the Canadian subsidiary of Exxon Mobil Corp.

"Synergy gasolines are higher quality because they have better detergent additives for cleaning your engine and they even have the claims that they can produce a slight improvement in fuel economy," said Calderone, who noted the gasoline is currently on offer at Esso Stations. "We plan on pricing competitively in the market and offering our customers the continued good value that they get today."

Despite the selling of the stations by Loblaw, the grocery store's loyalty program will continue to be on offer at the gas station, with PC Points cardholders receiving points with gas purchases, which can be used toward groceries.

Using Mobil payment technology, drivers will also be able to pay for their gas purchases through their phones from their car in the future, as early as the first half of next year, according to Calderone.

"You don't have to fuss with a credit card at the pump, you can sit in your car and do your payments where it's warm," he said. "It's not so much of an issue when it's days like this, but when we get into the blowing winds of February, people can get cold out at the pumps, so we're going to offer customers that service and we're looking forward to it."

"In Brookfield we have a strategic partner with an experienced management team and a strong business track record," said Sarah Davis, president, Loblaw Companies Limited, in a press release from

April 2017. "They are committed to preserving and growing the elements of the business that matter most to our customers - high quality fuel service and convenience along with PC Plus loyalty benefits. This is a positive outcome for our custom-

ers, our gas station operators, and our company."

MacAusland said the station would continue to "offer the best quality of service," and that she hoped to add more part-time staff to her roster.



A win for community

From left, Rotary Club of Haliburton members David Zilstra, draw chairperson Mark Dennys and president Steve Roberts presented a \$30,000 cheque to Haliburton's Vijay Marathe, sitting in the prize Camaro on Aug. 15 in Head Lake Park. His wife Kanchan and son Vikram joined Vijay to accept the winnings, which he chose in lieu of the vehicle (provided by Curry Chevrolet Buick GMC Ltd. during the draw period). Rotarian Marran Woods sold the winning ticket to Vijay, who bought \$300 worth of tickets. He will use the winnings to pay for his children's (son Vikram and daughter Vaibhavi) post-secondary education./DARREN LUM Staff

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Singing the song of opera in the Highlands

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Staff Reporter

When Valerie Kuinka and Richard Margison said they were going to bring opera to the Highlands 11 years ago, they meant it. This year has been one of their busiest, with performances ranging from masterclasses to concerts to workshops to karaoke, in churches, in a theatre and even on the patio of a bar. With each note, their Highlands Opera Studio brings the sound of music to increasingly diverse fans of the art form.

"We've been pleased to see new and different faces in the audience from the community," said Kuinka, who is general director of HOS alongside Margison as artistic director. "It's a word a lot of people shy away from. Opera is starting to become not such a foreign concept for people in the region, and that it really is accessible."

Kuinka said the HOS's work in showcasing highly qualified, emerging professional singers taking on opera as well as musical theatre, broadway and pop selections has been very well-received and supported by an increasing number of fans, volunteers and financial backers. "I think understanding that singing is singing is something that's growing in the community," she said.

The HOS have also grown their professional training program, which attracts young artists to the Highlands on both a national and international scale, from seven people their first year, to 20 chosen from 200 auditions this year.

"Everything was just a little smaller then," said

Kuinka. "What we do in Haliburton is offer highest level training to young people who are drawn from all across Canada, through competitive auditions. Who you're hearing here in Haliburton are the best Canada has to offer."

Kuinka said this year's masterclasses, held at the beginning of August, went over exceptionally well, giving guests a casual chance to learn more about what opera's about. The *From Opera to Broadway* concerts in both Minden and Haliburton in mid-August were at capacity and audiences were receptive.

"What we try to do in the *Opera to Broadway* concerts is show that musical theatre, any kind of singing, is singing," said Kuinka. "These performers are not stuffy, nor is our art form stuffy."

Last week, an HOS Celebrations! Canada 150 concert held at St. George's Anglican Church in Haliburton featured works by Canadian composers, including a piece titled *How Oft When Thou Play'st*, for four singers inspired by a Shakespearean sonnet and written by Patricia Morehead, a much-celebrated composer and oboist who now resides in Dwight. Morehead dedicated the piece to HOS and Kuinka and Margison, who she called the "dynamic duo."

"Richard and Val know how to do this," said Morehead. "They really do. It's amazing what they do, just incredible." Morehead compared the quality of the HOS singers to those of the Lyric Opera of Chicago, a renowned opera company.

On Aug. 19, the HOS presented the first public semi-staged workshop performance of *Mishaabooz's Realm (Le Royaume de Michabous)*, a collaboration between Indige-

nous artists and operatic performers. The project is being funded by the Canada Council, New Chapter and Canadian Heritage 150 Fund and will be a 90-minute opera in three parts, reflecting Canada's history, Canada now, and Canada in the future. The project is being created by Cree composer Andrew Balfour, who stepped in after Barbara Croall withdrew from the project due to family health reasons, and who Kuinka said has done "miraculous things." A collaboration with L'Atelier Lyrique, L'Opera de Montreal, the full work will be performed in December, and will include community choruses from Montreal and Haliburton.

"The final part is filled with hope that we can find a way, in the interest of truth and reconciliation, to respect one another and live harmoniously together," said Kuinka.

The 2017 performances are winding down, but if the HOS performers aren't found singing karaoke at Boshkung Social in Minden, they're preparing for Mozart's *Così Fan Tutte*, an opera Kuinka describes as being "a battle-of-the-sexes opera" and the final production of the season. The opera will be performed Aug. 27 and 30, and Aug. 29 and 31 by a double cast. "I would encourage people to come to two shows, to see each show," said Kuinka. "It's interesting to see how a show can take on a different feel with a completely different group of people, even though the music is the same."

For more information about HOS, visit highlandsoperastudio.com.



Radiothon reaps rewards

Moose FM announcer Rick Lowes speaks with Haliburton Highlands Health Services Foundation executive director Lisa Tompkins during the 11th annual Haliburton Highlands Health Radiothon in the station's studio on Thursday, Aug. 17 in Haliburton. Sponsored by Minden Subaru, the fundraising event involved close to 20 volunteers and included on-air guests and food tasting. It was held from 6 a.m. to 6 p.m. from Aug. 17 to 18. The preliminary total is \$22,500. /DARREN LUM Staff



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Forever in our memories: Creighton Feir

Balanced media diet

IF YOUR HOME is anything like mine, the last week has been one of captivated horror as news from the States pours in.

Starting Aug. 12 with the Nazi protests in Charlottesville, Virginia – wait, or was it two weeks ago with the threat of nuclear war with North Korea? Sorry, it was definitely three weeks ago when President Trump hired and then, 10 days later, fired his communications director who couldn't keep his mouth shut about anything.

Who am I kidding?

If your home is anything like mine, the last eight months has been one of captivated horror as we watch Trump run roughshod over the American Constitution and societal norms in a way that wasn't thought possible just a year ago.

During that time, I have consumed more media coming out of the U.S. than any time in my life. I now have subscriptions to two American newspapers, watch several American talk shows each day and listen to American news analysis podcasts in the evening before bed. And my news consumption is actually on the lighter side compared to many of my other friends and family.

While I disagree with some who argue there is little value in Canadians concentrating on American politics – who influences the rest of the world more than the U.S.? – this obsessive focus has detracted from my attention to Canadian news. And I doubt I'm alone in this.

Some speculate that Trump flits between controversies in part to

distract the public from things he'd rather not discuss. However, it's not just his country's population that's being distracted.

We're all finding our lives and the political discourse revolving around Trump and his hourly tirades. Like the proverbial car wreck, we can't look away.

But we need to try.

While Trump has been granting tacit support to white nationalists in his country, ours is renegotiating NAFTA with our largest trading partner. While he vacillated on the fate of Steve Bannon, the RCMP has been handling thousands of asylum seekers from the U.S. While he golfed and golfed and golfed, Ontario has been debating the pros and cons of raising the minimum wage.

While those topics aren't nearly as juicy as a spat with Jeff Sessions or canning James Comey, they arguably have more direct impact on our lives than who was deemed "failing," "a loser" or "crooked" this week by POTUS.

When we allow our entire media diet to consist of fattening dishes from our neighbours to the south, we miss important information about what's happening in our own country, province and municipalities.

It's not realistic to expect any of us to swear off American politics, nor would that be wise.

But, just like a balanced diet, it's important that we remember to consume news grown close to home to build a healthy understanding of our own democracy.



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Water Lily

by Darren Lum

Shades of one summer

NO ONE could see him up there. The cedar branches, so flat and green and dense, were a fragrant wall between Sam and the rest of the world. This was his favourite tree, though there were many he liked very much. The huge oak beside the field up by the dam was one. Then there was that maple with the gigantic piece of granite growing from the maple's trunk. He also enjoyed the sparkly birches that crowded the path to the lake. And the pines that sighed every night outside his bedroom window.

But the cedar provided the best hiding place and that was what Sam needed this summer. To hide. To pretend all those terrible things happening in his world had disappeared. When he was a little kid he thought if he couldn't see something, then it didn't exist. While Sam knew this wasn't true, there was still a little kid inside who hoped, wished it just might be. Even a little bit.

His best friend was killed in a car accident at the beginning of the summer. Sam went to the funeral. Afterwards he kept dreaming about the closed casket and the cemetery crowd, over and over. Now he felt nervous every time he got into a car. Ridiculous maybe but that's how he felt. No cars in the cedar tree. Just cool shade and safety.

Then last week he overheard his parents arguing, loudly. He was supposed to be sleeping but with the funeral dreams Sam was now slow to fall asleep. Instead he usually lay in bed listening to those pines and trying to think about fishing, swimming and other normal stuff he usually did in the summer. Anything but funerals. But when he heard the raised voices, he snuck to the top of the stairs and listened.

While he didn't know what they were shouting about, he felt a tightening in his stomach and for a minute it was hard to get his breath. He hoped they weren't going to get a divorce. Lots of kids at school had divorced parents and Sam did not want to join that crowd.

So now he sat in the cedar tree where

he didn't have to talk to anyone, to pretend everything was fine and he was just a kid enjoying summer like every other year. Because this summer was not like every other one.

The cedar stood close to the river. It was one of several there but was the best one for climbing. There was a strong branch Sam could comfortably straddle and then lean his back against the trunk. He liked feeling the bark through his T-shirt. Sometimes, if he had been swimming, his bare skin rested against the smooth cedar's. He felt especially connected to the tree at those times.

Because of the thick branches, the spot was always shaded and made him invisible to anyone on the ground looking up. Beside him, the river tumbled and chuckled its way over rocks, drowning out everything else. For Sam, it felt like being in a safe and private place cut off from strife and sadness. Deep breaths filled his lungs with the cedar's scent and closing his eyes, Sam imagined himself turning into a tree. How wonderful it would be to stay here, like this always.

Now he heard his mother calling him for lunch. Climbing down from his perch, Sam slipped into the kitchen and into his spot at the table while his mother brought over tomato soup to go with his grilled cheese sandwich. She was a really good cook, he thought as he bit into the creamy sandwich.

Asking where his father was, his mom replied he had to go make arrangements for Sam's Grandma to move into a retirement home. She told Sam it had been a difficult decision for them all to make but it was the best for grandma. Sam wondered then if that was what the argument had been about. Maybe his parents were not getting a divorce.

After lunch, he grabbed some ancient comics he had found at a yard sale and headed back outside. It was too awkward sitting in the cedar while reading so instead he opted for the cushioned chair on the deck. Sometimes being comfortable was just as important as being invisible.

Down



sharon
lynch

Our road

points of view

The seeds of resentment

DON'T WALK down that side of the house alone," I cautioned Jenn on Saturday morning.

"Are they back?" she asked nervously.

I slipped toward the wall of the house and silently peeked around the corner.

"Yes, they are back," I whispered, "and they look very, very angry."

"You should go to the store and buy bird seed now," she said.

"I will not be bullied," I whispered.

"I am not bullying you," she said. "I'm just making a suggestion."

"I was referring to the birds," I replied.

In hindsight, I never thought my decision to stop refilling our bird feeder would cause so much disruption in our lives.

I first discovered this when a street gang of rough-looking chickadees surrounded me and started making threatening gestures and chirping things I cannot put in print. Worse still, high on a branch above, a squirrel glared at me.

"Good morning," I said to all of them in an effort to diffuse the tension, "I just want to announce we're out of bird seed for now and probably won't get any for a while. I trust that's OK with all of you?"

They responded with a menacing silence.

"Hey guys, come on! This is the time of plenty," I pleaded as I laughed worriedly. "Food is easy to come by, am I right?"

This time, I swear I saw the squirrel punch his little hand.

I made it out of the yard unharmed that morning, but I will admit I was a little shaken.

Later that day, the intimidation tactics started.

"Steve," Jenn said, "I've never seen you clean up your SUV before. Are you all right?"

I didn't have the heart to tell her what those birds had done to it. After all, this was between them and me.

Unfortunately, I had no choice but to tell her later that day, when she walked in, looking uneasy, after having just hung a set of clean white sheets to dry.

"Did they hurt you?" I asked.

"No," she said, "but I might have to re-launder those sheets. Maybe we ought to buy some bird seed."

I walked over to the picture window that faced our empty feeder and, taking some courage in the fact that I was behind thick glass, shook a clenched fist defiantly at a nuthatch.

"You can't intimidate me," I said, though I will admit this would have been a far more effective signal had I not flinched when it flitted to a nearer tree.

Things quickly got out of hand when the leader of the chickadee gang showed with a couple of burly henchmen. In a gesture that could only be meant to intimidate, they sat quietly and stared inside the house.

It occurred to me then and there that it is at times like this, as well as on garbage day, when a man must step up as the guardian of his clan's well being.

So I looked at Jenn, rolled up my sleeves and uttered the heroic words, "This ends here."

"Don't go out there!" she yelled.

I turned and gave her a look that would have made Clint Eastwood proud. And then I walked towards certain danger.

A few minutes later, when it was over, Jenn brought me a good, stiff drink of iced tea and gave me a big hug.

"There were just too many of them..." I said.

"I counted four," she replied.

"They're stronger than they look," I pointed out.

The good news is I learned something that day.

Now, I am taking a non-confrontational approach and, on a side note, I'm getting plenty of exercise running to and from the car.

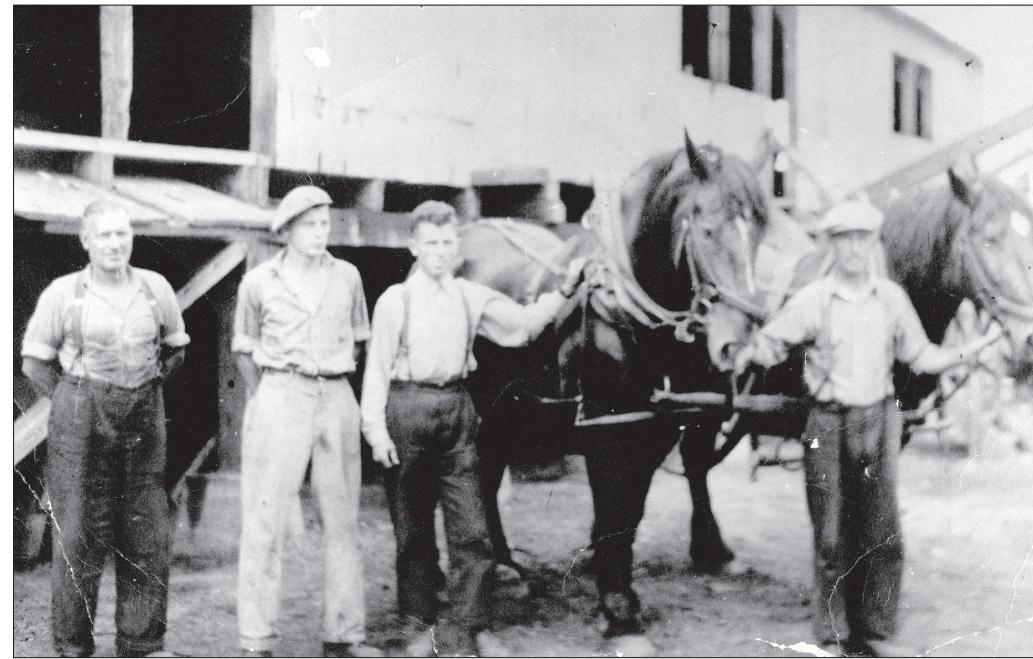
This morning, I decided to buy some bird seed too. Not because I was intimidated by those little birds or their criminal rap sheets but rather because it was simply the right thing to do.

It took me a while, but I have come to the conclusion that when it comes to bird feeders, nobody wins by playing chicken.



Loon Tales

steve
galea



pic of the past

We came across this pic of the past in our archives brought in by Florence Webb of Haliburton, which was taken in 1941 at W.R. Curry's lumber operation on East Lake. From left are Vivian Scheeffee, Ken Billings, Reg Sproats and Wes Baker, all of whom, sadly, have passed on but whose photo will bring back many memories for many residents.

Surge

Charcoal clouds charring the Sky, singeing the skin of the Lake.

I count the spaces between thunderclaps as I scurry along the road, still ten thousand steps from Home,

my Heart drooping like the branches of trees sipping from the Lake.

The roar of water flooding my ears, drowning the thunderclaps shredding Sky.

I rush toward the sound, booming louder in my chest, my Breath craving rest, after thousands of steps.

I peer up at the mist mushrooming in the air, veer off the road to find its source.

Down I descend through a tunnel of green, needles of Rain pricking my face.

My feet trip over roots, slip on rocks, slick and flat as ice.

There, I pause, to drink in the sight of the Sound.

Water frothing thick as buttermilk, spilling onto the rocks, inches from where I stand, mesmerized by the might of this waterfall, surging like a River toward the Lake, jolting my senses awake, as I stare into the

white mass of water, strong enough to drown a person, but maybe not a leaf.

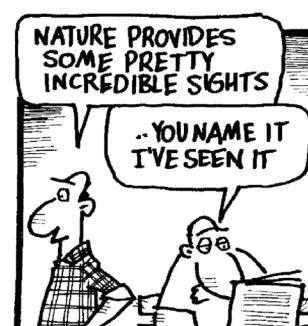
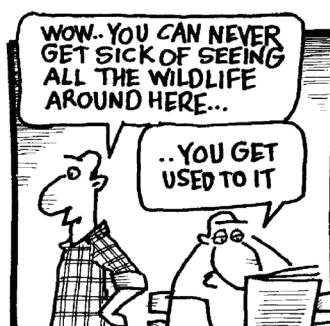
I stand on the edge of the rocks, slick as seal-skin, watching and listening and breathing, every pore, every cell, throbbing and alive, feeling the force of the water surge through me, oblivious to the rain pelting my face, the crackle of thunder silenced by the strength of this waterfall,

hurtling down toward the lake, where it will grow quiet again, like Sky resting after the Storm.

I don't know how long I stand there, staring into the water, absorbing its Sound, maybe the length of one thousand steps, that suddenly seem as brief as the blink of an eye, as I turn to walk back up through this tunnel of trees, listening to the water surge behind me, drowning the Storm that brewed within, when I set out on my walk ten thousand steps ago.

Sylvie Kalenda
August, 2017

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Hospice volunteers bring care to end-of-life

SUE TIFFIN

Staff Reporter

When Amanda Rowden was a nursing student working in a long-term care unit, she met a dying man alone in his final days who would make a great impact on her own life and career.

"He just kept saying to me, 'you know, I'm scared of this. I'm scared of dying. I'm scared of how I'm going to feel or how it's going to go,'" said Rowden. "I remember thinking at that exact moment, this guy is putting so much faith in me to help him, I need to learn."

Rowden, who is often motivated by challenges, was driven to research how she could best help her client to accept his diagnosis and transition through his last weeks. She said nurses don't always have an extended period of time to sit with someone, but as a student, she was able to do so as part of a learning opportunity.

"It was amazing because I followed him through that journey," she said. "Right before he died, I remember him saying to me, 'thank you. I was so scared and I was having such a hard time with this, and you just took the time.'"

Now in her role as hospice co-ordinator with Haliburton Highlands Health Services, it's Rowden giving thanks to people throughout the county – about 60 volunteers – who are giving time to sit with others in the county's two new palliative care suites, in acute care units, in long-term care or in their homes.

"I can't say enough, the volunteers are incredible," she said. "Who are these people? Where do they come from? They are literally earth angels. They just get placed here. Every single volunteer I've met, they're amazing."

After 14 years as a registered nurse – 12 in the community as a palliative care specialist with Paramed, and two years of primary care working as a nurse at the doctor's office in Haliburton – as well as two years of teaching a fundamentals of palliative care course at Hospice Peterborough, Rowden brings immeasurable experience and passion to the role of hospice co-ordinator. Although she's moved from a clinical role to a more administrative position, she said her impact can still be great.

"When you're working out in the community as a nurse, you make a difference on a one-on-one basis, whereas now I'm responsible for those 60 hospice volunteers," she said. "If I can teach them and give them my knowledge base and encouragement and mentorship, that's changing lives on a much larger level than just one-on-one. There's a Helen Keller quote, 'Alone we can do so little; together we can do so much.'"

So together with HHHS staff, volunteers, families and patients, Rowden works to ensure people have support in their final days, wherever they want it.

"People who want to die at home, we can support them in that transition," said Rowden. "And we're breaking the culture of, you have to be actively dying to receive this support. You don't. If you have been diagnosed with a life-threatening illness, it doesn't matter how long the trajectory of that illness is. Whether it be that you have cancer and you're dying in three months, or you have cancer and they've told you that you could have a year or two years to live. We're a support for the community and the patient or



Amanda Rowden, HHHS hospice co-ordinator, manages a team of about 60 hospice volunteers from throughout the county. Rowden is actively recruiting more volunteers to enroll in September training. /PHOTO COURTESY Danielle Meredith photography

resident or client, wherever they may be. We want to help and we want to get involved."

Rowden acknowledges the training to become a hospice volunteer is extensive.

Beginning in September this year, hospice training will take place over six three-hour sessions with an online component, totalling about 20 hours in class, down from 30 hours in class to make the program more accessible to volunteers who are juggling other responsibilities, like part-time work, children or grandchildren. Becoming a volunteer might also require vaccinations, a health review and quite a bit of paperwork.

"I always go with the philosophy that if it was your parent or someone you loved, you'd appreciate knowing the volunteers are screened properly and aware of procedures," said Brigitte Gebauer, co-ordinator of volunteer services for HHHS. "That's why we do a lot of training, to make it a better experience for all."

Once training is complete, however, volunteers are able to offer whatever time they can with no pressure and are supported by Rowden individually as well as through new program initiatives such as volunteer connect meetings, in which volunteers can get together to share experiences.

"It's whatever you can give," said Rowden. "There's no expectation."

Some volunteers prefer to give a few hours a week

visiting clients at a long-term facility, while others choose to be on call to sit beside someone in the last moments of life.

"It's very rewarding, and I think the volunteers will see that when they do it," said Rowden. "They'll see the difference they're making for families."

For more information about volunteering with HHHS hospice services, contact Amanda Rowden at 705-457-2941 x.2932 or via email at arowden@hhhs.ca.

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Forest Festival features Canadian talent

The O'Pears perform for an audience on Sunday, Aug. 20 at the Historic Logging Museum. The Toronto-based band was part of this year's series of concerts The Forest Festival, as organized by the Haliburton Forest. This year's lineup included Buffy Sainte-Marie, Jimmy Rankin, and the Jim Cuddy Trio for the 10th anniversary./DARREN LUM Staff

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Head Lake this past weekend was alive with horsepower during the Haliburton Outboard Powerboat Races.

Organizers said they will make a donation of \$1,000 to the Haliburton Hospital Auxiliary. The competitors continue to love Haliburton and appreciate the venue and a request will be made by race organizers to the township to return next year. The event included a dinner and concert by local band Gord Kidd and Friends for 98 people at the Pinestone Resort.

-Darren Lum

Racers drive for a corner in one of 14 classes of racing at the Haliburton Outboard Powerboat Races on Sunday, Aug. 20 on Head Lake. The RPM-sponsored event included 87 racers, who came from as far as New York and Ohio for each day of the weekend competition, as part of the Toronto Outboard Racing Club's season. / DARREN LUM Staff



Hydroplanes are lined up in preparation for one of 14 classes at the Haliburton Outboard Powerboat Races.



A rooster-tail is kicked up from a hydroplane, approaching a corner.

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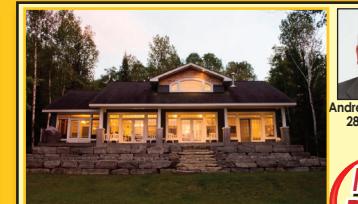


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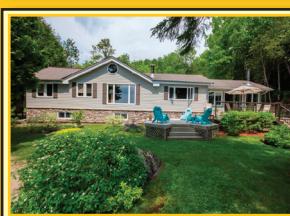
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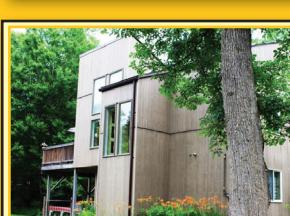
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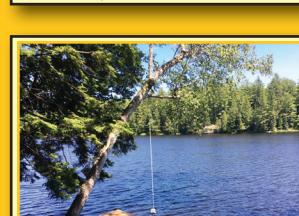
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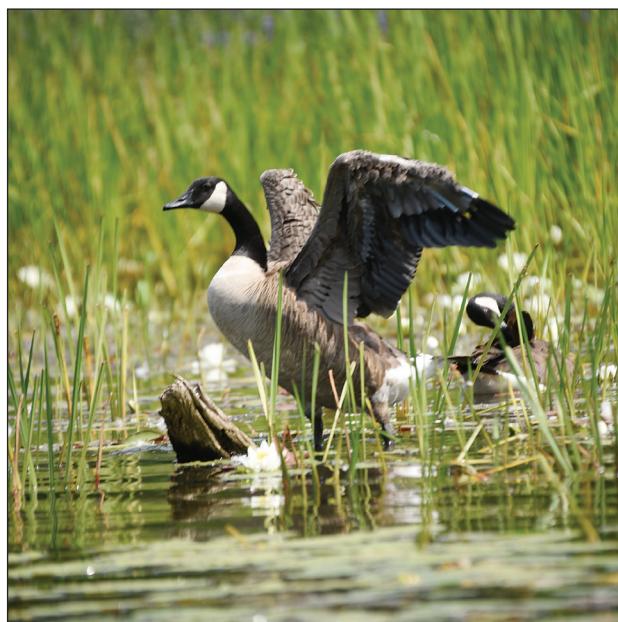
Keep geese off your grass

An over-concentration of Canada geese is a common problem on Haliburton shorelines these days.

For a variety of reasons, Canada geese love lawns or areas where the vegetation is cut low on shorelines. The key to discouraging Canada geese from congregating on shoreline open spaces is to make sure that they see a wall of plant material a minimum of 24 inches high when they look at a shoreline from the water, and not large expanses of inviting, manicured lawns.

Canada geese are an iconic national symbol for most Canadians. Unwittingly, humans have created open spaces that extend a virtual invitation to these majestic birds to congregate in non-traditional areas creating all sorts of conflicts in the process. Many now consider geese as pests but the problem has been caused by us.

Having created the problem it is now up to us to understand the impact of what we've done and find ways to eliminate or minimize the root causes of problem geese populations.



Canada geese are a regular sight on local lakes, but can be a nuisance on lawns. The best way to keep them from creating a mess on your lakeshore is to keep high vegetation at the shoreline. /DARREN LUM File photo

Upcoming Events On Your Lake

Send your lake events to classifieds@haliburtonpress.com

Lake Kashagawigamog Organization:

'NEW' Kash Bash

Aug. 26 at Haliburton Hockey Haven Sports Camp – 7 p.m. Come and enjoy a night out! Meet new neighbours on the lake, listen to music and watch a beautiful sunset. Beer tasting by Haliburton Highland Brewery commences at 8 p.m. food will be provided. More details will be coming soon! If anyone is interested in helping out or wants more details: Email Kirsten at social@lko.ca or Gary at president@lko.ca.

2017 Drag and Spruce Lakes

Please check our website in case there are changes to times, locations or events. We still require trainees and helpers for some events. Please call Barb (705-457-8864) if you can help. You will have training assistance, meet great people, and have lots of fun!

Golf Day/ Lunch - Saturday, Sept. 2

Location: Haliburton Golf Course (* please check website for changes)

Cost: \$45.00 Time: 10:00 AM

As usual - cost includes cart, 9 holes, lunch and prizes! Call Wayne Hussey 705-457-0030 to register. (The usual trophies plus a special prize for best family score!) You can send email to event organizers through our association email address at dragandsprucelakes@gmail.com or contact Barb, the coordinator at babohlin@gmail.com, 705 457-8864

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Canning Lake

Dock Sale

Saturday, Aug. 26, 2017, 9 a.m. – 1 p.m.

Bring your treasures out onto the dock for others to admire and buy. Display your 'gently used' items on the end of your dock and neighbours will visit by water. Remember, your 'used' items could be someone else's treasure.

Photo Competition

Submit pictures by email in digital (.jpg) format for judging to johncoll@sympatico.ca.

Minimum 10 photos per entry. Include the photographer's name; age category – Children 8-13, Youth 14-18, Adult 19+; photography category – Nature Scenes, Animals/Wildlife, Action Pictures; contact information and titles or descriptions of each image sent. All pictures must have been taken in our beautiful Canning Lake area and submissions must be received no later than February 1, 2018 (via email). Winners will be featured in the spring issue of our Dock Talk newsletter and on the website. See page 10 of the Spring Newsletter.

Fred Jones Bass Award

June 12 – September 4 (Labour Day)

Calling all 'fisherfolk' of all ages. This competition is for the largest bass caught on Canning Lake from June 1st to Labour Day. To enter, you must take your fish to Ed Brown (1188 Silverwood Road) to have your fish weighed and measured before you return it to the water. The prize of \$25.00 is open to all ages so get out there and get fishing. The big ones are waiting for you!

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Riders glimpse Haliburton history on tour

JENN WATT

Editor

Local thespians and tourism promoters got together on the Essenville Line earlier this month to give social media influencers something to post about.

Yours Outdoors organized an old fashioned road-building party as part of the day's events for the group, who arrived on motorcycle.

Sponsored by Ontario's Highlands Tourism Organization and Ontario Tourism Marketing Partnership Corporation, the tour was promoting the Haliburton Highlands as an ideal motorcycling destination.

"A couple of years ago a consultant did an assessment of the suitability of the area for motorcycle touring," said Barrie Martin, owner of Yours Outdoors. "No sur-

prise, this is one of the best motorcycling areas in Ontario, if not beyond."

The hard-topped roads that rise and fall over the hills of the scenic landscape are a major attractor.

The tour guests stayed at the Bonnie View in Haliburton and visited Tory Hill's Artech Glassblowing Studios and Maynooth's Sunrun Cafe on Thursday, Aug. 10, then doubled back, eating lunch at the Olde Ridge Authentic Barbecue.

The motorcyclists joked that those early road-builders were really creating paths for motorcycles of the future.

Members of the local theatre community, museum and Yours Outdoors came together to act out the scene, engaging the visitors in conversation. A horse provided by Irvin Holland completed the picture.

OHTO's motorcycle initiative is called Ride the Highlands and can be found using that hashtag on social media, or by going to ridethhighlands.ca.



Using costumes from the Highlands Little Theatre and recruiting local thespians, historians and a horse, Yours Outdoors organized a meet and greet for a group of motorcycle tourists who came to the Highlands to post about their experiences. /Photo provided by Barrie Martin

Explore the sculpture forest

Pan

George Pratt, 2003

Pan is a startling sculpture to find in the Sculpture Forest. The fellow has horns, hoofs, and the face of a goat, but it sits against the tree and plays an instrument like a human. This puzzling figure is the Greek god Pan. Pan was the god of the wild, shepherds and flocks. He also had the pleasure of being half goat and half human. Pratt's interpretation of the fellow is more goat than human.

Pan would often chase after the beautiful wood nymphs that strayed into the forests where he lived. He was especially fond of one nymph named Syrinx. Syrinx, put off by Pan's startling appearance, would often run away from his advances. One day, while pursued by Pan, she ran to the river and begged the river nymphs to hide her. Just as Pan was about to catch her, they turned her into a water reed and hid her among the reeds in the river.

The story goes that after hearing the wind blow through the reeds, the frustrated Pan plucked some reeds and fashioned them into a musical instrument. He named the instrument the Syrinx, but it has become known as the Pan flute. Pratt's sculpture shows Pan playing his distinctive flute hoping Syrinx will hear the music and come to him.

The sculpture was carved out of a 19,000 pound block of salt and pepper granite. In the process of carving the sculpture, Pratt removed more than 7,000 pounds of stone. This is even more impressive when you take into account that he accomplished this feat carving



outside in Haliburton in the middle of black fly season.

The Haliburton Sculpture Forest is located in Glebe Park on 297 College Drive. This unique collection of 36 sculptures by Canadian and international artists is open to the public, dawn to dusk, for your own discovery. Free guided tours occur on Tuesdays (10 to 11 a.m.) and Wednesdays (12:10 to 12:50 p.m.) in July and August. You can use the Sculpture Forest app (download PocketSights and search for Haliburton) or visit the website to learn more about the sculptures. www.haliburtonsculptureforest.ca

Submitted by Angus Sullivan



Making history

From left, John Barker, wife Mary and granddaughter Drew Rupnow hold the historic building sign they were given by the Haliburton County Historical Society on July 16 at Agnew's General Store in Wilberforce. This building dates back to 1921 and started as a mercantile. Frederick George Agnew, Mary's grandfather, took over the building in the 1930s and has served the community for close to 100 years. Five Agnew generations have worked at the Wilberforce retail landmark. /DARREN LUM Staff



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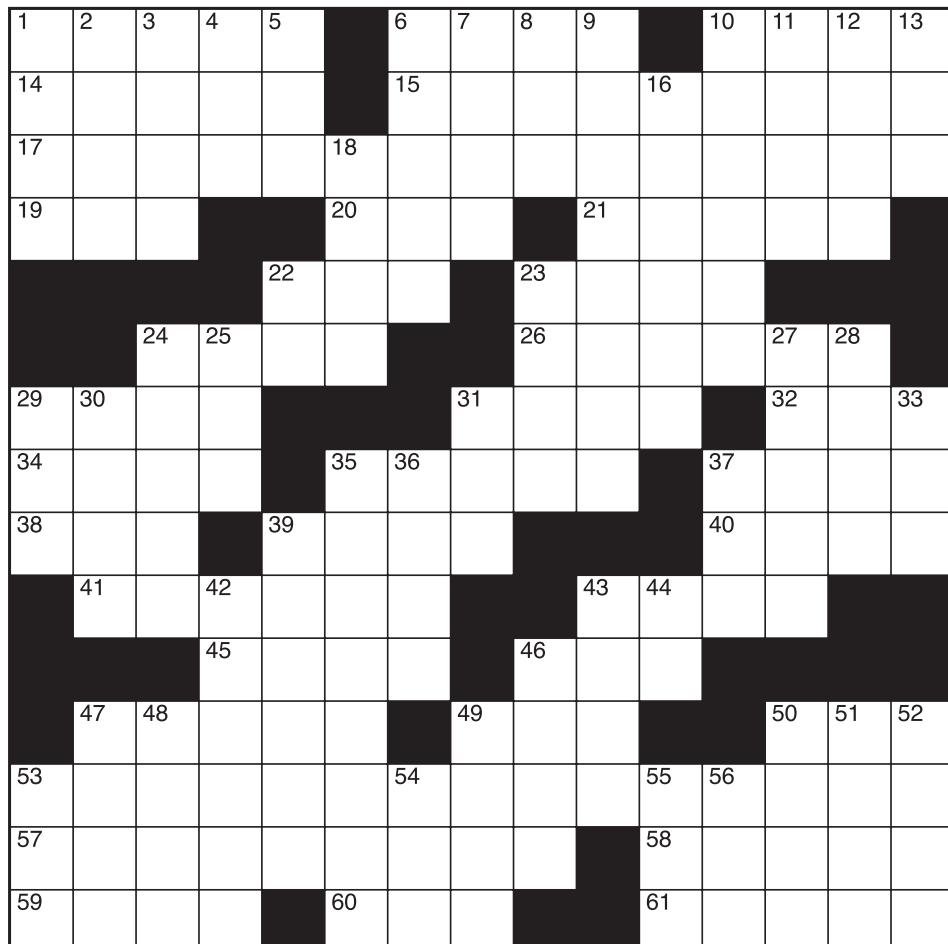
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- Inclined to avoid conflict
- Mistaken belief
- Expresses disgust
- Greek goddess of the dawn
- Cranky
- Boy who wouldn't grow up
- Scots for "home"
- Turfs
- Countries
- The duration of something
- Pastries
- Golf score
- Reasonable
- Female parents
- Art __, around 1920
- Beloved sandwich
- Damaged
- Long time
- One who rears
- Without
- Occupational safety and health act
- Political action committee
- Geological period
- Swiss river
- Type of mathematical graph
- Doctors are sworn to it
- One's concerns
- Type of wrap
- Foray
- Born of
- A temporary police force

CLUES DOWN

- __ and circumstance
- Bowfin fish
- Ready money

Answers on page 18**Summer hoops**

Eleven-year-old cottager Jordan Proctor of Aurora receives coaching from volunteer Gord Cochrane at the Open Gym Basketball program on Wednesday, Aug. 17 at the Haliburton Highlands Secondary School. Cochrane, who is a community volunteer coach for the high school basketball program has helped the program for years. He said there were 65 participants and as many as 30 on one night.

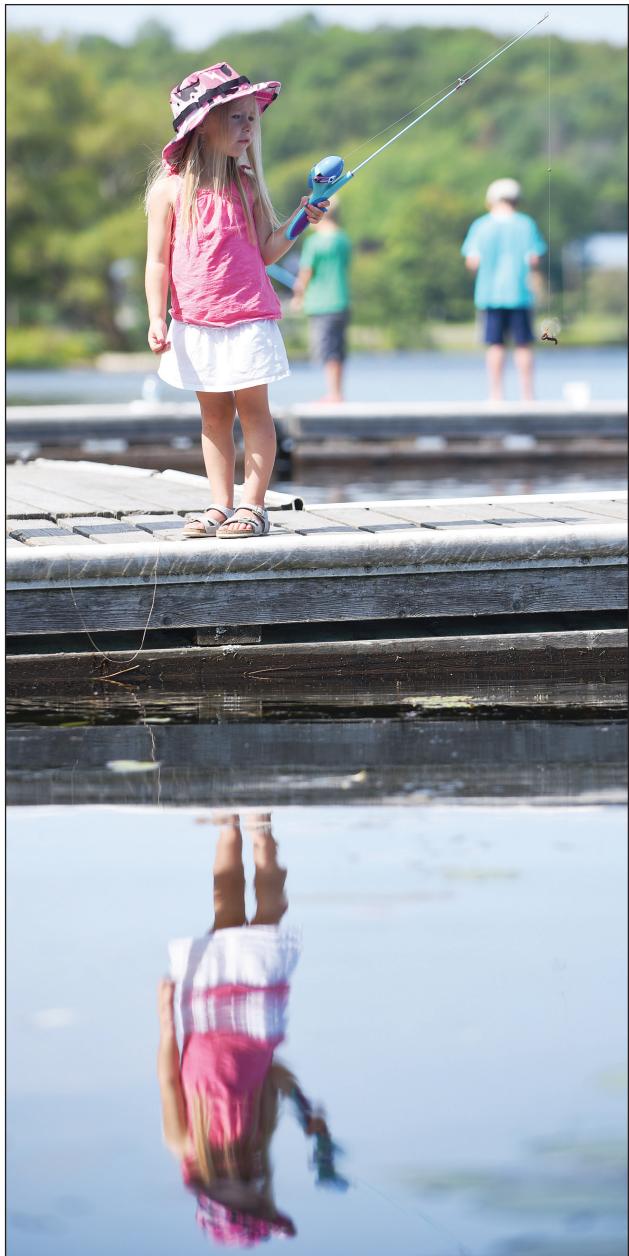


A player takes a shot in a scrimmage during the Open Gym Basketball program on Wednesday, Aug. 17 at the Haliburton Highlands Secondary School. The program was offered Wednesdays and Fridays every week for instruction and scrimmage. It started July 12 and ended this past Friday. /DARREN LUM Staff

Catching some fun

The Haliburton Highlands Outdoors Association Past President's Kids' Fish Derby drew 35 young competitors on Wednesday, Aug. 16 at the town docks on Head Lake. HHOA members said the event was held to encourage children to get outside with their parents and guardians, and enjoy the sport of fishing.

The derby was won by Jack Gmuzek, who caught 27 fish. He received a trophy and had his name added to the HHOA Past President's Kids' Fish Derby trophy. Second place was earned by Mark Parker-Vilson with 20. There was a tie for third place between Jack Stratton and Jayden Vanluik-Brohman, who each caught 17. Every participant received a prize. Photos by Darren Lum



Left, a young girl fishes on Head Lake with more than 30 registered anglers at the derby. After more than 15 years, the event formerly known as HHOA Fishing Derby was on a four-year hiatus. It resumed this year. HHOA volunteers made this event possible. Every participant received a prize thanks to community partners the Maple Hills Hunt Club and Outdoors Plus.

Top, it was ideal weather for more than 30 registered anglers at the derby.

Above, there was a lot of fishing action on Head Lake.

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Rt. Hon. Roland Michener will participate in the Ontario Orienteering Championships

The Rt. Hon. Roland Michener will be participating in the Ontario Orienteering Championships to be held at the Boy Scouts Reserve at Haliburton on Saturday and Sunday, September 27 and 28th.

Although it is a championship event and top orienteers from all over Canada and the U.S. will be competing, a special novice course is being organized where people who have never orienteered before will be able to receive instruction and orienteer at their leisure.

This event will provide Haliburton residents both permanent and seasonal - with a great opportunity to try this rapidly growing sport, to get out into the woods and enjoy the fall colours, and also to meet a truly great Canadian.

The Rt. Hon. Roland Michener has never orienteered before, however we are confident that he will complete the novice course without difficulty. Mr. Michener had advised that his wife may accompany him. It is hoped that Haliburton families will follow Mr. Michener's example and try this exciting sport.

The sport of orienteering is similar to car rallying, except it is done on foot. At an orienteering event you are given a map on which several circles have been marked.

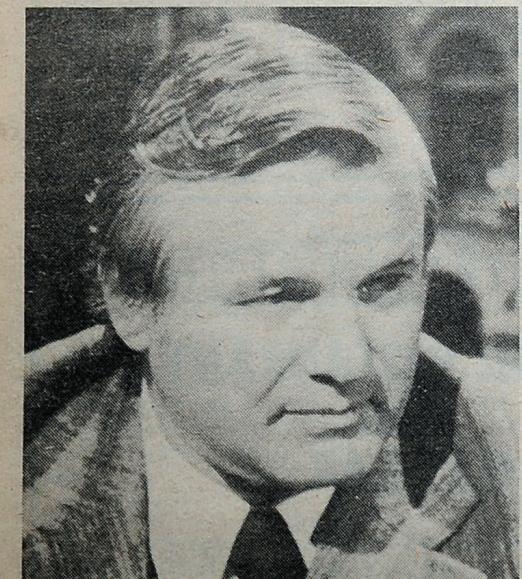
These circles indicate where the red and white control markers are located, and as a participant you have to read your map and 'navigate' your way to the control markers. Once there you punch a control card which you carry to prove to the organizers that you did in fact locate the control. You then navigate your way to the next control and so forth until the course is completed.

The Rt. Hon. Roland Michener will present the awards for the individual events at the banquet to be held at 7:00 p.m. Saturday.

Health care centre opens in Cardiff

On Monday, September 8, the Cardiff and Area Health Care Centre opened for residents and summer visitors in the eastern section of Haliburton County. The Centre, located at 10 Hemlock Road in Cardiff, will be open daily Monday through Friday from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. for enquiries and first aid. Emergency calls after 5:00 p.m. should be made to the nearest hospital. Dr. P. McEnery and Dr. H. Christiansen will be at the Health Care Centre on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays of each week.

The Cardiff and Area Health Care Centre will have an official opening on Saturday, October 25, 1975, at 1:30 p.m.



Davis-MacDonald to visit our riding

Flora MacDonald M.P. for Kingston and The Islands will be visiting Haliburton next Monday evening at 8:00 p.m. She will be appearing with Glen Hodgson at the Haliburton Legion Hall at a Progressive Conservative Rally especially for Ladies. Free donuts, tea and coffee will be served.

Premier William Davis is expected to close his Campaign in our riding when he visits Lindsay on Wednesday, September 17th at 7:30 p.m.

The Premier will be participating in the Opening Parade of the Lindsay Fair, of which he is an Honorary Director.

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navigating their way through bush, across marshes, etc. These two ladies have taken a route where they have to carefully cross a stream.

More pictures on pages 9 and 10

Glen Hodgson

Acceptance speech delivered at meeting

First, let me say "welcome to the family." You have been included in the Victoria-Haliburton family by action that combined geography and politics. On the surface, that may seem to be a sort of 'back door' entry and you may be inclined to feel that your place at the family table puts you among strangers.

Believe me when I say that is not the case.

The family of which I speak is the electorate of this riding. We have operated as a family for some time now and we wish to continue operating that way. I have been honoured by the fact that I've been seated at the head of the figurative family table, around which we discuss, plan, propose -- sometimes even argue -- but always base our actions on the results of what really amounts to a family gathering.

If I am going to represent your wishes, it

seems to me that I should clearly understand how you all think about all the issues of Government. Your thinking

is very important. The fact that you are relative newcomers to the family does not lessen your right to

a voice in family affairs. I'm sure you will have valuable

Con't on page 2

Glen Hodgson announces establishment of provincial constituency office

The establishment of a provincial government constituency office, modelled on the lines of federal constituency offices and to be located in Lindsay to serve Victoria - Haliburton residents, was announced today by R. Glen Hodgson, incumbent Progressive Conservative MPP, who is seeking re-election, Sept. 18.

Mr. Hodgson said that if he is re-elected, the Lindsay office is a 'must' on his agenda and will be in operation immediately after the election.

"I will also move that such offices be established in

every riding in the province," Mr. Hodgson said.

"The people's elected representatives would become much more accessible with such offices providing a pipeline directly to government," He added that it is his intention to spend several hours each week - time previously taken up with personal calls on constituents -- in this office, working toward a much better one-to-one personal contact with constituents.

"I will also recommend that each MPP plans his time so that he is personally available in such offices for

at least several hours each week," Mr. Hodgson said.

I have been talking about the 'family' of voters here in the Victoria-Haliburton riding," Mr. Hodgson added. "I really believe in government which will make our riding a place in which we are proud to live and bring up our children."

"I guess you could actually call the Lindsay constituency office a family room. I plan to give it that kind of atmosphere and make it a place in which we can achieve productive personal contact."



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The Registered Dietitian will provide the nutritional component of comprehensive geriatric assessments of frail elderly with multiple chronic conditions that impact or may potentially impact on the individual's health outcomes or their ability to live independently at home. In consultation and collaboration with the interprofessional GAIN team, the RD designs and implements nutritional goals and treatment interventions for complex case situations which include nutritional issues.

The successful candidate will be a Registered Dietitian in good standing with the Ontario College of Dietitians and preferably have a minimum of 3 years clinical experience in geriatrics. The RD will be visiting clients in home and clinic, and to facilitate the home visits, must have a valid driver's license and access to a reliable vehicle. **Additional information about this position is available at hhhs.ca/careers.**

If you are interested in joining our team for the above position, please submit your resume by August 27, 2017 to:

Haliburton Highlands Health Services
 c/o Human Resources
 Box 115, Haliburton, Ontario, K0M 1S0
 hr@hhhs.ca
 Fax: 705-457-4609

Haliburton Highlands Health Services thanks all applicants, however, only those selected for an interview will be contacted. If you are contacted by HHHS regarding a job opportunity or testing, please advise if you require accommodation for a disability. Information received relating to accommodation needs of applicants will be addressed confidentially.



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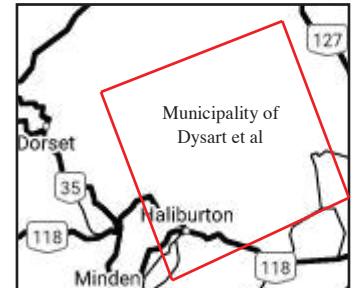
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NOTICE OF PUBLIC INFORMATION CENTER

CLASS ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT

Municipality of Dysart et al Septage Management Study

The Municipality of Dysart et al initiated a Class Environmental Assessment (EA) Study to establish the preferred approach for providing septage and holding tank waste disposal services to the residents of the Municipality. Phase 1 & 2 of the study are progressing to evaluate the alternatives to manage septage and holding tank waste within the Municipality. From this initial evaluation, the study will progress as a Schedule C assessment.



Public and agency consultation is vital to the success of this study. To ensure those interested in this project have an opportunity to provide input to the study, the first Public Information Centre (PIC) will be held as per the details noted below:

Public Information Centre (#1)

Date: Thursday, August 31, 2017
 Time: 6:30pm – 9pm
 Location: Haliburton Legion
 719 Mountain St.
 Haliburton, ON, K0M 1S0

Comments Invited

You are encouraged to attend the PIC to provide your comments so that they may be included in the study. Comments received throughout the course of the assessment will be considered in selecting the preferred alternative. Following the PIC comments will be received until September 25, 2017.

Please contact either of the following if you wish to be added to the mailing list or if you have any questions or comments, or wish to obtain information about the project:

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 Director of Public Works
 Municipality of Dysart et al
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 Haliburton, ON
 K0M 1S0
rcameron@dysartetal.ca

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 Manager Engineering Services
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 ASI Water
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Information will be collected in accordance with the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act. With the exception of personal information, all comments will become part of the public record. This Notice first issued on August 17, 2017.

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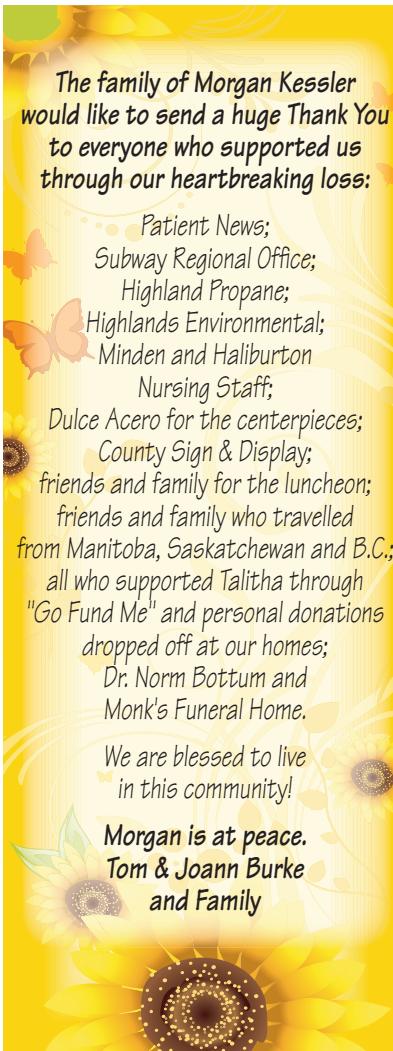
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The 2017 Highland Yard raised \$15,000 which pushed Places For People's fund raising goal, set two years ago, to \$100,000. Thanks to all 286 runners and 55 volunteers, and those who pledged them. A significant portion of the \$100,000 is being used to make an offer on a fifth residence in Cardiff, Ontario. Places For People provides affordable housing for those in need in Haliburton County - the Board has always wished to establish a residence in Highlands East and this process has been set in motion.

Thanks in particular to the following businesses and corporations for their contributions!

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640 IN MEMORIAM

Nicholls, Marjorie

In loving memory of our wonderful Grandma who passed away Aug. 26, 2016

It's always sad but comforting to silently recall your smile and dear familiar face so loved by one and all. For the world may keep turning and change from day to day but precious memories of you will never fade away. And here's hoping that this message which carries so much love will somehow find its way to you in heaven up above. It's to let you know dear Grandma that, although you are at rest you'll live forever in the hearts of those who loved you best.

Lovingly remembered by

Derrell, Kristin, Brandee, Flynn, McKenna, Nicole, Joel, Bailey, Becca, Jordyn, Owen, Carter, Emma, Cheyenne, Austin, Montanna, Cooper, Luca and Michael

640 IN MEMORIAM

Nicholls, Marjorie

In loving memory of our beautiful Mom who passed away August 26, 2016.

Our lives go on without you
 But nothing is the same
 We have to hide our heartache
 When someone speaks your name

Sad are the hearts that love you
 Silent are the tears that fall
 Living here without you
 Is the hardest part of all

You did so many things for us
 Your heart was kind and true
 And when we needed someone
 We could always count on you

The special years will not return
 When we are all together
 But with the love in our hearts
 You walk with us forever

Always in our hearts
 Alberta, Bernie, Cheryl,
 David and Erin.

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